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Mr. Robert D. Calkins
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722 Jackson Place, N. W.
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Dear Mr. Calkins:

On behalf of the Director of Central Intelligence, I am happy to respond to your letter of 3 October 1957 concerning the Brookings Executive Conference Program and your kind invitation to this Agency to nominate an official to attend the forthcoming first Conference in Williamsburg, Virginia.

The Conference Program, as described in the general announcement, gives promise of affording significant developmental opportunities in which this Agency will wish to share. It has been our practice for some time to examine and to take advantage of those programs, both within and outside the Government, which will enhance the capabilities of present executives and of those who stand in the line of management succession. We have used them systematically in planning the career development of a number of selected officials. However, we recognize that presently available programs are not aimed specifically at the needs of Federal executives, and we welcome the advent of a developmental activity which may serve the Government's interests more directly.

Having in mind the qualifications which you consider desirable for participants, this Agency nominates to attend the first Conference an official who will be able to participate constructively in the discussions, and who can assess the long-term value of the program for our senior

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as Deputy Director of Training. He has had almost twelve years of experience in the Department of State and in this Agency, at progressively higher levels of responsibility, and is well suited to benefit from and to contribute to the Conference. Full particulars concerning the nomination of will be sent directly to Mr. William T. McDonald, Director of the Brookings Executive Conference Program.

Sincerely,

Signed

L. K. White Deputy Director

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